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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 889 By Arriola

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Glencliff High School Chapter of the Business Professionals of America on their outstanding performance in state competition.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this Legislative Body should pause in its deliberations to recognize our youth for their ongoing commitment to the development of leadership, academic and technical abilities that will enhance their contributions to society; and

WHEREAS, at a time when the youth of our nation face difficult challenges, the Business Professionals of America is one of our finest assets, providing young people with outstanding educational programs by which to develop these admirable qualities; and

WHEREAS, Glencliff High School has sponsored a chapter of this career and technical student organization for nearly twenty years and boasts a remarkable membership of 107 students; and

WHEREAS, the Glencliff High School Chapter recently competed in the Business Professionals of America state competition and enjoyed remarkable success; and

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WHEREAS, in competition against over 1,000 students from across the State of Tennessee, Glencliff High School placed 23 finalists in the 29 contests they entered, including 11 first place winners; and

WHEREAS, this extraordinary group of students were victorious in several areas, including accounting, database, computer networking, keyboarding, basic business, management, speech, team events and individual events; and

WHEREAS, this team garnered more awards and honors than any other school in the state and more than any other Metro Nashville school had ever previously achieved; and

WHEREAS, in addition to dominating the competition, Glencliff High School had two students elected as state officers: Azza El Kamil, State Secretary-Treasurer and Sardeie Nur, State Webmaster; the Glencliff chapter also had nine students garner Statesman Awards; and

WHEREAS, due to their outstanding performances in state competition, 23 members of the Glencliff High School Chapter are eligible to advance to national competition in Chicago and one student, Amit Patel, has chosen to run for national office; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional members of the Glencliff chapter and their respective placements in their competitions are: Jason Rhea, First Place, Computerized Accounting; Wais Kaihani, First Place, Economic Research Team; Alissa Dotson, First Place, Economic Research Team; Sardeie Nur, First Place, Economic Research Team and Third Place in Computer Networking Technology; Azza El Kamil, First Place, Economic Research Team; Sopheap Chay, First Place in Administrative Support Research and First Place in Application Interview A; Brandon Wright, First Place in Cisco Networking Administration and First Place in Novell; Will Golden, First Place, E-Commerce Team; Patrick Crow, First Place, E-Commerce Team; Justin Johnson, First Place, E-Commerce Team; Jeremy Smith, First Place, Digital Media Production and Second Place, Small Business Management Team; Kevin Azofeifa, First Place, Information Technology Concepts and Fifth Place Microsoft Network Administrator; Amit Patel, First Place, Entrepreneur and Second Place, Small Business Management Team; Nittaya Douangvilay, First

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Place, Prepared II; Nassarin El Gosi, Second Place Economic Research Individual; Ozzy
Overstreet, Second Place, Integrated Office; Nathan Potter, Second Place in Database
Applications, Small Business Management Team and Fourth Place in Financial Math; Jeff
Harter, Second Place, Website Development Team and Fourth Place, Extemporaneous II;
Ahmed El Kamil, Second Place, Website Development Team, Hien Dao, Second Place,
Website Development Team; Knista Chayangkura, Third Place Prepared I; Tuyen Bui, Fourth
Place, Keyboarding Production; and Teresa Chea, Fifth Place Basic Office Procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Cisco Networking Team comprised of Ozzy Overstreet, Brandon Wright, Kevin Azofeifa and Justin Johnson will compete at the national level, as there is no state level contest in this division; and

WHEREAS, in addition to competing at both state and national levels, the Glencliff chapter is active in numerous community organizations, including the American Red Cross, the Seeing Eye Foundation, the Windlands Retirement Home and the Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Glencliff Chapter of the Business Professionals of America are most grateful for the support they receive from their parents and the administration, faculty staff, and student body of Glencliff High School; and

WHEREAS, the commitment to excellence in academics and citizenship shown by these remarkable young people epitomizes the spirit of a true Tennessean and should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend the Glencliff High School Chapter of the Business Professionals of America on their outstanding performance in state competition and wish them success in all their future endeavors, and especially the upcoming National Competition of BPA.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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